

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 04-06-12

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Expiration Date: June 30, 2013
unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the registration hunt RM572 for Moose on Kalgin Island in Game Management Sub-unit 16(B).

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in 5AAC 85.045(14), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order and the following provisions are in effect for the 2012-13 regulatory year:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season	Nonresident Open Season
(14)		
Unit 16(B), Kalgin Island		
1 moose per regulatory year by registration permit only	Aug 20-Sept 10	Aug 20-Sept 10

Cora Campbell
Commissioner



By delegation to:

Olin Albertson
Palmer Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The 2011 fall survey estimated the population on Kalgin Island at 58 moose. However, information provided by property owners on the Island suggest that winter mortality may have been high (26 reported) and calf production may have been low, indicating the population going into fall 2012 may be significantly less than last fall's survey.

With the concern of potentially high winter mortality, ADF&G Biologists decided to let the hunt proceed utilizing a shortened reporting period requirement to allow close monitoring of the hunt, with the intention of closing the hunt by emergency order when a calculated harvest objective was reached. Based on the last year's population estimate and reported winter mortality, a harvest objective of 8 moose was established for the 2012 season. This objective is close to being exceeded and the Kalgin Island registration hunt (RM572) will be closed early. All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 16(B) remain unchanged and are not affected by this Emergency Order.

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